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an infrared camera carried by the housing and targeted on the second region.

- 52. The apparatus according to claim 51 wherein the infrared camera is a black white CCD camera which is provided with a blocking filter for the visible light range.
- 1 53. The apparatus according to claim 51 wherein a 2 monitor is provided which is carried by the housing and is 3 connected to the output of the infrared camera.
- 1 54. The apparatus according to claim 51 wherein the 2 housing has a second light source which is trained from above onto 3 the second region and has a significant proportion of its radiation 4 in an infrared region and is selectively capable of being switched 5 on.
- 1 55. The apparatus according to claim 54 wherein the second light source is a glow filament lamp.
- 56. The apparatus according to claim 51 wherein the second region of the emplacement surface is light permeable and the housing carries a third light source which is trained from below onto the second region and has a significant proportion of radiation in an infrared range and can be selectively switched on.

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57. The apparatus according to claim 56 wherein the third light source also has a significant proportion of its radiation in the visible light range.

1 58. The apparatus according to claim 57 wherein the third light source is a glow filament lamp.

- 59. An apparatus according to claim 51 wherein the emplacement surface has a third region for supporting the object and for sliding shifting thereof between the first region, the second region and the third region, whereby the housing having a fourth light source trained from above onto the third region and having a significant proportion of radiation in the ultraviolet range.
- 1 60. The apparatus according to claim 51 wherein the 2 housing has a cover hood which is arranged above the emplacement 3 surface and has at least one lateral opening for access to the 4 emplacement surface.
- 1 61. The apparatus according to claim 60 wherein the 2 third region is spaced from the opening.
- 62. The apparatus according to claim 51 wherein the emplacement surface is equipped in a fourth region with an inductive sensor. --